August 30, 2,000

Mr. Joel J. Roessner FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION 999 E. Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20463

RE: MUR 5057

Dear Mr. Roessner:

First, let me assure you that I have not violated any provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971.

I never knowingly permitted anyone to use my name on a money order made out to the Noach Dear for Congress Committee in 1998. And I never issued or signed a money order for \$250 made out to the Noach Dear for Congress Committee in 1998.

I am not now, nor have I ever been, a contributor to Mr. Dear's political campaigns, nor have I been connected to his campaigns in any way. I was not even aware the Noach Dear for Congress Committee existed until I received Chairman Wold's letter of August 24, 2,000.

If you need any further information, please call me.

Very\_truly yours,

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